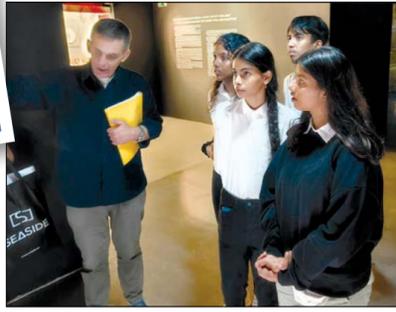


'Stars of the Future' on a cultural trip to Portugal



The winning team of the second edition of 'Stars of the Future', organized by Fundação Oriente in India, is currently on a cultural trip to Portugal. Team 'Alpha' from Chubby Cheeks Spring Valley High School won the all-Goa



quiz competition, earning a 15-day cultural and educational program as their prize. The team comprises four students—Serenella Fernandes, Siddhi Alok Bera, Niyati Nikhil Kamat, and Aedan Fernandes—accompanied by their teacher, Sailee Kankonkar.

The 'Stars of the Future' competition featured a knowledge quiz, with the final phase consisting of 12 questions. Portuguese was the language of communication during both the selection and final rounds. The contest saw participation from 20 different high schools and higher secondary schools across Goa, with a total of 58 teams and around 300 participants.

The cultural trip includes a week in Lisbon from April 21 to 28, followed by a week in Porto from April 29 to May 5. The team is currently staying at Convento da Arrábida, a 16th-century Franciscan convent located in the Serra da Arrábida Natural Park in Setúbal, Portugal. The property is owned and managed by Fundação Oriente.

So far, the team has visited notable sites in Lisbon such as the Marquês de Pombal roundabout, Avenida da Liberdade, Praça do Comércio, and the Arco da Rua Augusta viewpoint. The day continued with lunch at Casa de Goa and a visit to the Museu do Oriente.



Novena and Feast of Mãe de Deus Chapel, Siolim

The Novena for the feast of Mãe de Deus Chapel, Gaunsavaddo-Siolim, will commence on April 25. Fr Marcelino De Souza, parish priest of Vagator, will bless the Feast Flag (Maddi) at 5.30 pm, in the presence of the chaplain of Mãe de Deus Chapel Fr Sebastian and Fr Dhanam. Fr Marcelino will also celebrate the Eucharist at the first Novena. The novena service will be held with the recitation of the Holy Rosary, followed by Mass. The feast will be celebrated on May 4.

Venue: Mãe de Deus Chapel, Gaunsavaddo, Siolim
Date: Till May 4
Time: 5.30 pm

Creative writing workshop

Salome D'Souza will conduct a creative writing workshop, 'Writing in Colour', where she will help participants employ colour vocabulary in their writings. The session will be a fun exercise if creative writing excites you.

Venue: The Dogear's Bookshop, Margao
Date: April 25
Time: 4 pm

Annual prize distribution ceremony held at Govt College, Quepem



The 33rd Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony of Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Quepem, was organised by the Students' Welfare Committee. Dignitaries were escorted to the dais by the officiating principal, Dr Pravina Kerkar, accompanied by vice principals Dr Sarita Usgaonkar for Administration, Prof Mehtab Bukhari for Academic Affairs, and Dr Neeta Mazumdar for Postgraduate Studies. The chief guest, Dr Mahesh Pai, officiating principal of Government College of Home Science, Panjim, was formally introduced.

Principal Dr Pravina presented the College Annual Report, highlighting key academic milestones and the institution's commitment to inclusive excellence. Dr Annie F D'Souza e Gomes, convener of the Students' Welfare Committee, delivered the annual report of the committee. Dr Rajender Rao Kulkarni, Convener of the National Service Scheme, provided

an overview of the NSS activities undertaken during the academic year. CQMS Indrayani Datekar presented the report for the National Cadet Corps and Sangeeta Goundi, the Sports Secretary, delivered the sports report.

Parasharam Ghadi and Siya Naik were honoured as the best outgoing students in the sports category. Abrar Shaikh, was recognised as the best outgoing NCC cadet in the boy category, while Indrayani Datekar received the honour in the girl category. Neville Lawson Mascarenhas and Nympha Elisha Fernandes were awarded as the best outgoing NSS volunteers. Mellia Lima was recognised as the best library user for the academic year.

Eliston Dias and Swarali Tengse were awarded as the best outgoing academic achievers. Diya Sawant was named the best outgoing literary student. The best all-rounder awards were conferred upon Karvesh Chourasiya and Esha Velip. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Shubham Gauns Dessai, General Secretary of the Students' Welfare Committee, followed by the National Anthem.

St Andrew's School, Vasco organises futsal tournament



Winners - Girls

St Andrew's School ICSE/ISC, Vasco in collaboration with its PTA, recently conducted its first-ever Futsal Knockout Tournament at Bogmalo. The event saw enthusiastic participation, with 24 boys' teams and 16 girls' teams from across the

state. The inauguration began with a symbolic kick-off by Principal Russell Coutinho, following a welcome address by the PTA Chairperson. Chief guest, Krishna Daji Salkar, attended the prize distribution and closing ceremony. Fr Anthony Vaz, the school's manager was

also in attendance.

Regina Mundi School clinched the Girl's Championship against NCS. In a final that kept all spectators at the edge of their seats, Fr Agnel Ashram, Verna triumphed over Infant Jesus School, Colva. Awards for Best Goalkeeper, Best

Shooter and Highest Scorer were also awarded across both categories.

The exhibition match between St Andrew's ex-students and the St Andrew's Family team was a superb display of skills and footwork. The 'Family' team emerged victorious.



Winners - Boys

Kampus Snippet

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION HIGHLIGHTED AT EARTH DAY AT PM SHRI GHS, MORPIRLA



PM SHRI GHS, Morpirla celebrated Earth Day with great enthusiasm and dedication under the theme 'Our Power, Our Planet.' The event aimed to raise awareness about environmental conservation and promote sustainable practices. As part of the celebration, various activities were organized. A QR code system was introduced for the flora on the school campus, allowing students to access detailed information about different plants

by simply scanning the codes. Students also showcased their creativity by designing innovative headgear and tiaras using floral materials. Additionally, a rally highlighting the importance of environmental conservation was conducted, helping students develop a sense of responsibility towards protecting the planet. The Earth Day celebration was a huge success and inspired students to adopt eco-friendly practices in their daily lives.

DON BOSCO COLLEGE STUDENTS TO EXPLORE THE OFF-BEAT SCENE OF GOA



The students of the FYBBA (travel & tourism) at Don Bosco College, Panjim, attended a session titled 'Exploring the Off-Beat Scene of Goa' by Royston Braganza, a travel expert. He highlighted the conventional image of Goa and a tourist-centric economy. He then shifted the focus to the off-beat side of Goa, which many tourists and even locals often overlook and emphasized the importance of promoting these hidden gems to diversify the tourism industry and create a more sustainable and authentic

travel experience. He stressed on cultural immersion, Goa's art and creative scene like Kavi art and the various ancient traditions of Goa.

Students were encouraged to think innovatively and explore how they can contribute to promoting Goa's off-beat experiences through their studies and careers in tourism and travel. The session inspired students to look beyond the traditional tourist hotspots and embrace the deeper, more nuanced aspects of Goa's culture and heritage.

DR NITIN SHARMA APPOINTED TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Dr Nitin Sharma, associate professor in the Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering at BITS Pilani, K K Birla Goa Campus, has been nominated as an expert member by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) in a working group focused on international standardisation in the field of aerospace and positioning systems. This appointment aligns with India's strategic efforts to actively contribute to the development of global standards through the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Dr Nitin will provide technical input on upcoming international standardisation projects related to advanced navigation and positioning systems, ensuring that India's scientific and technological perspectives are represented at the global level.

Dr Nitin remarked, "It is an honour to contribute to the international standardisation process and to represent India's interests in such a critical and evolving technological domain. This opportunity also reflects the emphasis BITS Pilani places on research excellence and global engagement."



Herald Gaming Console

Dilbert



Garfield



Wizard of id



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ACROSS
1- Eyelid irritation; 5- Adam's third son; 9- Zeno of ...; 13- His and her; 15- 1963 role for Liz; 16- Precious; 17- Teheran native; 18- From the U.S.; 19- Work for; 20- Capek play; 21- Crooner Perry; 23- Specimen; 25- Vessel; 26- Nullify; 27- Sharon, e.g.; 30- Flightless bird; 31- Bridges; 32- Minister; 37- Delayed; 38- Claw; 40- Tortoise's rival; 41- Infinite time; 43- Flipper; 44- Greek nickname; 45- Thin; 47- Elasticized cord; 50- Pocket bread; 51- "Gunsmoke" star; 52- Sub station?; 53- I know what you're up to!; 56- Untrustworthy one; 57- Woodwind; 59- Pavarotti, for one; 61- Poet; 62- TV horse; 63- Run away with a lover; 64- Military force; 65- New Orleans is The Big ...; 66- Estimator's phrase;

DOWN
1- Paint can direction; 2- Drive... window; 3- Age unit; 4- Ich bin ... Berliner; 5- Shrimp dish; 6- Patron saint of sailors; 7- Type of shirt; 8- Cavalry; 9- Excess fluid in an organ; 10- Bounded; 11- Steve of country music; 12- "Judith" composer; 14- Wealth; 22- Texas tea; 24- Juan's water; 25- Less loony; 26- Whodunit hero Wolfe; 27- Capri, for one; 28- Petty quarrel, ejected saliva;

29- Appraise, charge per unit; 32- Thickness; 33- Porcelain tableware; 34- Clock pointer; 35- Sea eagle; 36- Backside; 38- Exasperating; 39- Play to (draw); 42- Hempecks; 43- Diminutive; 45- Fast; 46- Like Abner; 47- Wild rose; 48- Render weaponless; 49- Dweebish; 51- Jessica of "Dark Angel"; 52- Evil is as evil ...; 53- ... about; 54- Jumps on one leg; 55- Popular cookie; 58- Victoria's Secret item; 60- "Evil Woman" grp.;

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Instructions for Sudoku

9 x 9 letter: To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes

solution 4827

8	9	3	7	4	2	6	1	5
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9	2	4	8	1	3	5	6	7
6	1	9	3	5	7	8	4	2
5	7	8	4	2	6	3	9	1
4	3	2	1	8	9	7	5	6